

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-14 are pending in the application.

Applicant appreciates Examiner's acknowledgement of allowable subject matter in claims 3-4, 6, 9-10, and 14. Applicant has rewritten claims in response to Examiner's observations. Claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 11, 12, and 13 have been cancelled. Language in claims 3, 9, and 14 has been rewritten to better clarify the feature regarding "quiescent current," whereby said quiescent current at said output stage is *adjusted* for reduced dissipation and *increased* linearity at all power output levels."

Specification has been amended to include current status of co-pending application 10/538,347.

Applicant has filed a Terminal Disclaimer to overcome the provisional rejection on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-18 of co-pending Application No. 10/538,347.

Applicant believes he address the Examiner's concerns. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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